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1. IN RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR NORTH AMERICAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS (DURAN) SAID THE SPANISH POSITION WAS PARALLEL TO THAT TAKEN IN THE LOCKHEED CASE, TO THE EFFECT THAT NO INTERVIEWS WERE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON SPANISH SOIL BY FOREIGN JUDICIARY AGENTS.

2. THUS ANY INTERVIEW WOULD HAVE TO BE CONDUCTED BY LETTER ROGATORY, DURAN SAID. TO OUR QUESTION HE REPLIED THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WOULD BE WILLING TO CONSIDER HAVING THE MATTER HANDLED ON A JUSTICE DEPARTMENT-TO-JUSTICE MINISTRY BASIS (RATHER THAN COURT TO COURT), BUT WOULD RESPOND DEFINITIVELY ONLY WHEN AND IF WE ACTUALLY REQUESTED SUCH A PROCEDURE.

3. IN VIEW OF THE POSITION TAKEN BY DURAN WE WILL MAKE NO MOVE TO CONTACT HORIA SIMA PENDING INS' AND DEPT REACTION. STABLER

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